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Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with the references as stated in the specification.

- EP 0 592 376 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification. No translation is available at this time.
- EP 0 635 593 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification. No translation is available at this time.
- EP 0 942 086 as discussed on Page 1 of the specification. No translation is available at this time.

The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the aboveidentified application.

- EP 0 942 086 discloses a method and apparatus for seaming edges of knitted articles.

The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and

- 15. This reference has been previously cited above.
- U.S. 6,389,849 discloses a method and device for closing the toe of a tubular article on a knitting machine. The reference has been cited under Category A.
- WO 02/070801 discloses a device for picking up a tubular knitted article from a knitting machine and for sewing the toe. The reference has been cited under Category A.

 Consideration of the above references is requested.

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